

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 1, after the title, please insert the following:

--This application is a divisional of Application Serial No. 10/345,992, which is a divisional of Application Serial No. 09/995,834, filed November 29, 2001, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/350,919, filed July 12, 1999, which is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/446,702, filed July 13, 1995, now U.S. Patent No. 5,958,254, which is a 371 of PCT/AU93/00598, filed November 24, 1993.--

Please amend the second full paragraph on page 15 as follows:

The reactivity towards oxygen of the photoreduced 2-methylantraquinone in ethyl cellulose after 106 days storage in the absence of oxygen was demonstrated as follows. Ethyl cellulose, 1g and 2-methylantraquinone, 0.018g, were dissolved in ethyl acetate, 9ml, and cast as five films measuring approximately 10cm x 10cm x ~~240µm~~ 200µm on the surface of the co-extruded barrier film based on ethylene vinyl alcohol described in Example 3.

Please amend the second paragraph on page 22 as follows:

(c) and (d) -TPP was in ~~ethyle~~ ethyl cellulose cast on polyethylene cling film.

Please amend the last paragraph on page 26 as follows:

Ethylantraquinone, 0.13 g, triphenylphosphite, 0.385g, and ethyl cellulose, 3.3 g, were dissolved in ethyl acetate and the resulting solution was spread on two sheets of poly(ethylene-

terephthalate); 12 μm thick with the aid of a doctor blade. The solvent was evaporated by warming to approximately 40°C for 10 minutes in a fume hood. The resulting plastic films had an area of 10cm x 22cm and was on average 100 μm thick.

Please amend the fifth paragraph on page 27 as follows:

Cetyl alcohol, 0.32g, triphenyl phosphite, 0.68g, and 2-ethylanthraquinone, 0.4g, were dissolved in the toluene gel of EVA, 12.5g, to give a mobile solution. This was then cast into a film layer on the heat seal side of a 2 sheets of oxygen barrier plastic of ionomer/EVOH/polyester of oxygen transmission rate $1\text{cm}^3/\text{m}^2/24\text{ hr/atmosphere}$ at 25°C, 75% RH. The area of film and thickness were as in Example 22.